
From: Smith, Bonnie
To: Taylor Mirfendereski
Sent: 8/8/2013 4:25:40 PM
Subject: RE: Reporter on Deadline - Dimock Results

Dear Taylor,

We cannot confirm that the well in question was the Ex. 5 - Personal Privacy or that of any other specific individual/individuals. Test results at a private residence is private information, EPA does not and cannot share private information publically.

As for the photo, I can confirm that two of the people in the photo below are EPA officials and one is an ATSDR official. I hope this is helpful.

Bonnie

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From: Taylor Mirfendereski Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy
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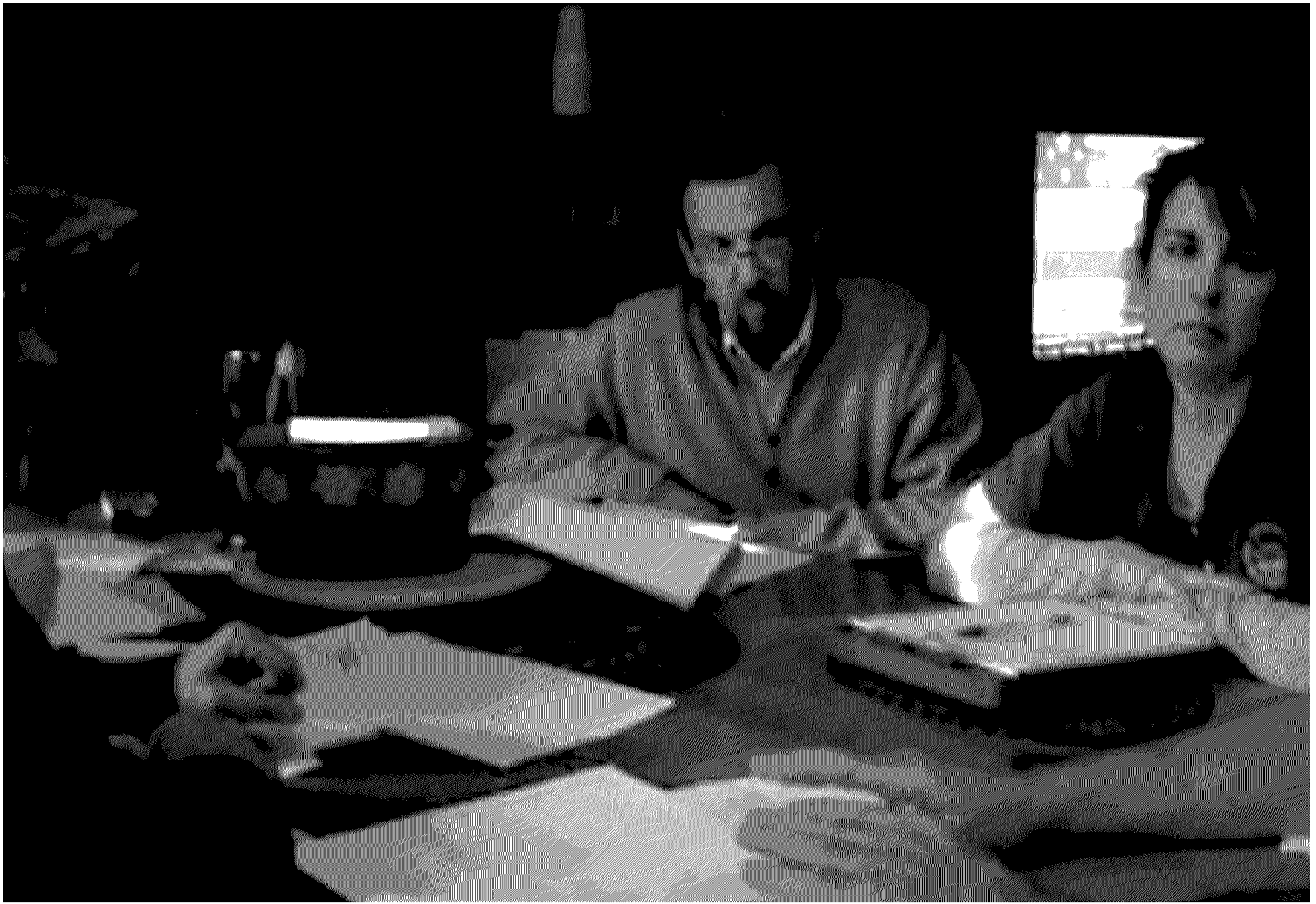
Hi Bonnie,

As we just discussed, could you identify the people in the attached photo? I was told that they are EPA officials sharing test results with a Dimock homeowner. I want to make sure that is accurate so please confirm.

Thanks a ton!

Taylor





On Aug 8, 2013, at 1:36 PM, Taylor Mirfendereski wrote:

Hi Bonnie,

I contacted Terri White this morning with an interview question and was told to contact you for a response.

I've reviewed an EPA press release from last year on July 25, 2012 that discusses the agency's conclusions after testing the water in Dimock.

"Two rounds of sampling at four wells where EPA was delivering temporary water supplies as a precautionary step in response to prior data indicating the well water contained levels of contaminants that pose a health concern. At one of those wells EPA did find an elevated level of manganese in untreated well water. The two residences serviced by the well each have water treatment systems that can reduce manganese to levels that do not present a health concern."

Can you confirm that an elevated level of manganese found at one of those wells was at the home of [Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy] I have an account from them that says they were visited by an EPA official in June 2012, where they were told they have high levels of manganese in their water.

I'd like to find out this information by the end of the day to meet my deadline.

Thank you so much!

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